



# Otaru University of Commerce (OUC)

## YOUC (Year at Otaru University of Commerce) Program

### Fact sheet 2019-2020 (Effective from April 1, 2019)

Name of Institution	Otaru University of Commerce (OUC)
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<b>Academic Calendar Sep. 2019– Aug. 2020</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b> <b>Semester Date:</b> September 30, 2019-February 10, 2020 ※Intensive Beginning Japanese Course (Students with ZERO Japanese knowledge ONLY) before the fall semester (TBA: Usually From Second week of September) <b>Mandatory Orientation Date:</b> September 27, 2019 <b>Recommended Arrival Date:</b> September 4-6 OR September 19-25. (The Office will be closed September 14-16 and 21-23, 2019) <b>Spring Semester</b> <b>Semester Date:</b> TBA (Usually Around First week of April - Around First week of August, 2020) <b>Orientation Date:</b> Last week of March <b>Recommended Arrival Date:</b> Before the orientation date												
<b>Exam Dates</b>	<b>Fall Semester:</b> February 3– February 10, 2020 <b>Spring Semester:</b> TBA (Usually End of July – Around First week of August, 2020)												
<b>Holiday Dates</b>	<b>Winter Break:</b> December 25, 2019 – January 6, 2020 <b>Spring Break:</b> February 10 – Around First week of April, 2020 <b>Summer Break:</b> TBA (Usually Around First week of August – Around the end of September, 2020) *And Other National holidays												
<b>Application Deadline</b>	<b>Fall Semester:</b> April 10, 2019 <b>Spring Semester:</b> October 10, 2019												
<b>Language Institution</b>	Japanese, English												
<b>Subjects offered</b>	All lectures are conducted in English <a href="http://www.otaru-uc.ac.jp/cgs/ged/subject-list/">http://www.otaru-uc.ac.jp/cgs/ged/subject-list/</a> <b>Primary Fields of Study:</b> Economics, Management, Business and Japanese												
<b>Language Requirements</b>	English language proficiency is required (TOEFL Score 550 is recommended).  No prior knowledge of Japanese is required. Nevertheless YOUC program is not a language training program; however, it provides a great opportunity to acquire Japanese proficiency.												
<b>Accommodation</b>	YOUC students are eligible to live in on-campus housing which is less than 5 minute walk from the center of campus.												
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<b>Services and Events for YOUC Students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tutor System</b> Each YOUC student has a tutor, who will support their life in Japan. Tutors will help new arrival, such as necessary move-in paper works, negotiating for cell phone service, giving directions to fun places, and by building a bridge between our Japanese students and YOUC students.</li> <li>• <b>International Week</b> The International Week is held on the last week of October. This event is held annually to deepen international understanding between international students and Japanese students, faculty members and local people. YOUC students will take part in this event by introducing their countries and cultures in poster session and presentation, etc. On the last day of the International Week, the Halloween party is</li> </ul>												

	<p>held by the OUC International Circle.</p> <p>• <b>Skiing: Intensive Course (December 21 (Sat), 22 (Sun) AND 25 (Wed), 2019)</b>  The YOUC  students who register the Skiing: Intensive Course will go to the Asari-gawa spa which is the place you can enjoy beautiful scenery as well as great condition of snow. Every student can join the class regardless of ski experience. Please note that students can borrow the ski gear from us.</p>
<b>Entry and Residence</b>	<p>Student visa is required for all the students.</p> <p><b>Procedure:</b>  1: Submit an Application for Certificate of Eligibility to OUC. OUC will apply for your COE to the Sapporo Immigration Bureau on behalf of students to send the certificate to your home institution as soon as it is issued.  2: Submit your COE with your visa application when you apply for a visa at your nearest Japanese embassy.</p>